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INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE
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COMBAT DESERTIFICATION IN THOSE COUNTRIES
EXPERIENCING SERIOUS DROUGHT AND/OR
DESERTIFICATION, PARTICULARLY IN AFRICA (INCD)
Second session
13-24 September 1993
Agenda item 1

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Provisional Agenda

Note by the Secretariat

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6. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its second session

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Annotations to the agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The Committee, at its first session (Nairobi, 24 May-3 June 1993), approved the provisional agenda for the second session, as contained in document A/AC.241/L.8.

The provisional agenda for the second meeting is submitted for adoption.

The Committee will have to adopt a decision on the mandates of the two Working Groups (the Chairman's proposal on the mandates was contained in document A/AC.241/L.10/Rev.1). It may also wish to ask the Secretariat to prepare required background material for the negotiation of various regional instruments to the Convention, and to consider any other measures that could be required by the negotiating process in making appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly at its 48th session.

The work programme for the present session shall be issued as an Addendum to the Provisional Agenda upon adoption of the mandates of the two Working Groups in the meeting of the Plenary scheduled for the afternoon of Monday, 13 September 1993. A meeting of the INCD Bureau is scheduled for Monday, 13 September 1993 at 10:00 AM.

The Committee might have to consider an additional list/s of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's) recommended for accreditation for the negotiating process of the Convention.

2. Election of officers

The Committee should elect the remaining Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur of Working Group I.

3. Elaboration of an international convention to combat desertification in countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa.

The Committee will have before it the document prepared by the Secretariat (A/AC.241/12), which compiles proposals for the text of the convention as submitted by Governments by the July 1 1993 deadline, as well as those made during the Committee's first session. The Committee may wish to give further guidance to the Secretariat on the elaboration of the draft of the convention.

4. Review of the situation as regards extrabudgetary funds

(a) Special Voluntary Fund to support the participation of developing countries affected by drought and desertification, particularly in the least developed countries

(b) Trust Fund for the negotiating process

At its first session the Committee took note of pledges made by several countries to both the Special Voluntary Fund and the Trust Fund.

The Committee will have before it the document (A/AC.241/13) submitted by the Secretariat indicating the present status of the two funds.

5. Adoption of the provisional agenda for the third session

The Committee will have before it a note by the Secretariat on the draft provisional agenda for its third session.

6. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its second session

The Committee will adopt a report on its second session.

List of Documents for the second session of the Committee

A/AC.241/9/Add.2	List of Non-Governmental Organizations recommended for accreditation
A/AC.241/10	Report of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for the Elaboration of an International Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, on its first session
A/AC.241/11	Provisional Agenda
A/AC.241/12	Compilation of Government Views, Statements and Drafting proposals
A/AC.241/13	Review on the status of the extrabudgetary funds

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